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SUBJ: HIGHLIGHTS OF NVA OFFENSIVE -- SUMMARY FOR PERIOD ENDING
NOON, APRIL 25

1. GENERAL

FOR THE FIFTH DAY, MILITARY ACTIVITY IN VIETNAM HELD AT A
FAIRLY LOW LEVEL.

2. MR III

HEAVY ABFS WERE REGISTERED IN THE GO DAU HA AND KHIEM THANH
AREAS OF TAY NINH AS WELL AS AT TRANG BANG AND BAI TRAI IN HAU
NGHIA. HIGHWAYS 1 AND 22 ARE CUT BY THE NVA IN THESE AREAS. THE
ATTACKS SEEM TO BE DESIGNED TO CRUMPLE GVN DEFENSES AND BRING
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THE NVA DIVISIONS INTO POSITION CLOSER TO SAIGON IN THE NW APPROACH

CORRIDOR. LTG TOAN, MR III COMMANDER REPORTED THAT VIRTUALLY ALL OF THE ARVN ARTILLERY WAS DESTROYED IN THE ABFS ON GO DAU HA AND KHIEM THANH. NVA PRESSURE IN LONG AN PROVINCE, THE UNDER-BELLY OF SAIGON WAS MAINTAINED. BIEN HAO AIRBASE WAS SPORADICALLY SHELLED. A REGT OF THE NVA 325TH AND ARMOR IS STOPPED ON HWY 2 NOT FAR FROM THE PHUOC TUY PROVINCE CAPITAL OF PHUOC LE (BA RIA) AND THE JUNCTION OF THE VUNG TAU, SAIGON HIGHWAY. THIS FORCE IS IN A POSITION TO BRING ALMOST INSTANT PRESSURE ON PHUOC LE.

3. MR IV

DELTA REMAINS RELATIVELY QUIET. CHUONG THIEN AND DINH TUONG PROVINCES CONTINUED TO REPORT THE HIGHEST NUMBER OF INCIDENTS, BUT THE INTENSITY OF FIGHTING DELTA-WIDE REMAINS LOW. IN CHUONG THIEN, KIEN HUNG DISTRICT TOWN CAME UNDER ATTACK FOR THE THIRD STRAIGHT DAY WITH THE RESULTS NOT YET AVAILABLE. PHONG DINH REMAINS GENERALLY QUIET, BUT MR IV G-2 REPORTS ELEMENTS OF THE 8TH NVA DIVISION HAVE MOVED BACK INTO THE PROVINCE. G-2 BELIEVES THE 8TH HAS NOT RECEIVED MUCH IN THE WAY OF FILLERS OR SUPPLIES AND IS WEAK.

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